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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated April 19, 2004, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-11, 23-33, 45 and 47) drawn to a coupler for connecting a pair of like corrugated chambers, a conduit, a method of fabricating a coupler for connecting a pair of like corrugated chambers, and a method of constructing a conduit, classified in class 405, subclass 100 are elected for prosecution. Applicants' reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicants' do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

An extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

The requirement is being traversed for the reasons set forth in detail below.